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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

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For:

MEASUREMENT APPARATUS INCLUDING A TRACK FOR A MEASUREMENT

SCALE AND APPARATUS FOR TENSIONING THE SCALE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the March 27, 2002 Office Action, the period being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please add new claims 19-30 as follows:

--19. A measurement apparatus comprising:

a measurement scale;

a readhead relatively movable along the scale for reading the scale; and

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an elongate track for holding the measurement scale, the track having a

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channel wherein the track attracts magnetically the scale to the channel.--

--20. The measurement apparatus of claim 19, further comprising magnetic material for attracting the scale to the channel of the track magnetically.--

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